Lab experiment 4: Install and configure DNS

AIM:

To create and configure DNS Server

DESCRIPTION:

DNS Server

A DNS server is a computer server that contains a database of public IP addresses and their associated hostnames, and in most cases, serves to resolve, or translate, those common names to IP addresses as requested.

Port No: 53

Package name: bind9

Configuration file: /etc/bind/named.conf. (Primary configuration file),/etc/bind/db.root

(root nameservers)

PROCEDURE:

CASHING NAMESERVER

When configured as a caching nameserver BIND9 will find the answer to name queries and

remember the answer when the domain is queried again.

1. Install bind9 by typing

\$sudo apt install bind9

\$sudo apt install dnsutils

2. The default configuration is set up to act as a caching server. All that is required is simply

adding the IP Addresses of your ISP's DNS servers. Simply uncomment and edit the following in /etc/bind/named.conf.options:

3. Restart it by typing

\$sudo systemctl restart bind9.service

PRIMARY MASTER

As a primary master server BIND9 reads the data for a zone from a file on it's host and is authoritative for that zone.

Forward zone file

To add a DNS zone to BIND9, turning BIND9 into a Primary Master server, the first step is to edit /etc/bind/named.conf.local:

\$sudo cp /etc/bind/db.local /etc/bind/db.example.com

\$sudo systemctl restart bind9.service

Reverse Zone File

Now that the zone is set up and resolving names to IP Addresses, a *Reverse zone* needs to be added to allows DNS to resolve an address to a name.

- 1. Edit /etc/bind/named.conf.local
- 2. Now create the /etc/bind/db.192 file:

\$sudo cp /etc/bind/db.127 /etc/bind/db.192

3. edit /etc/bind/db.192 changing the basically the same options as /etc/bind/db.example.com:

4. After creating the reverse zone file restart BIND9:

\$sudo systemctl restart bind9.service

5.Check the status

\$Sudo service bind9 status

6.Check if nslookup can resolve

\$nslookup ftp.example.com

\$nslookup ubuntu.example.com

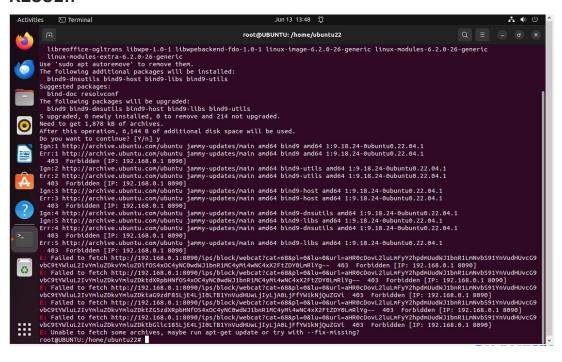
7. Gather information about your DNS server

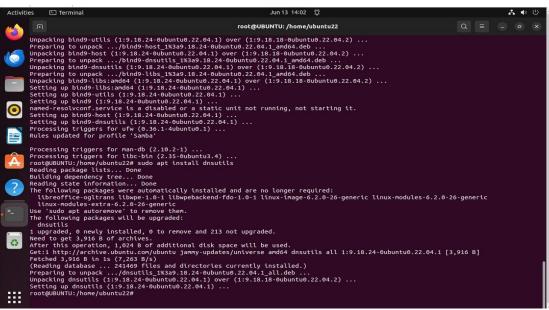
\$dig ubuntu.example.com

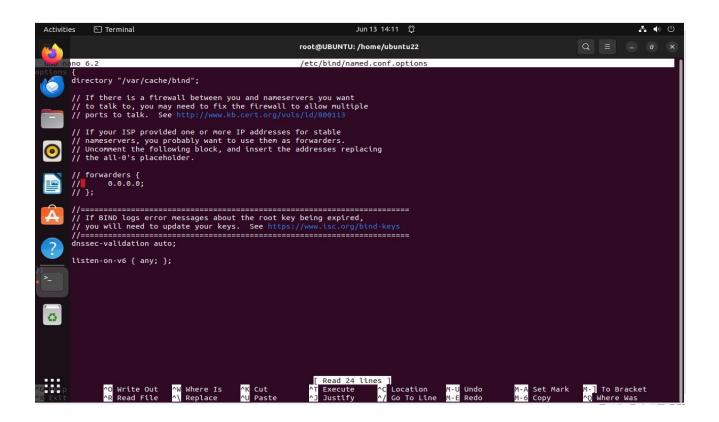
\$dig www.example.com

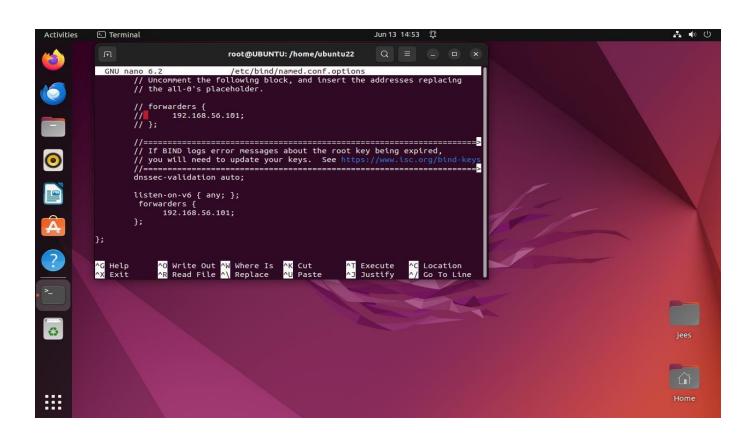
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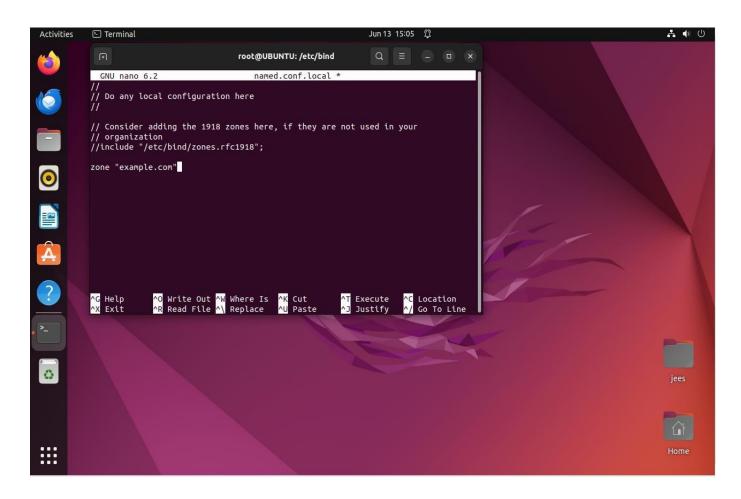
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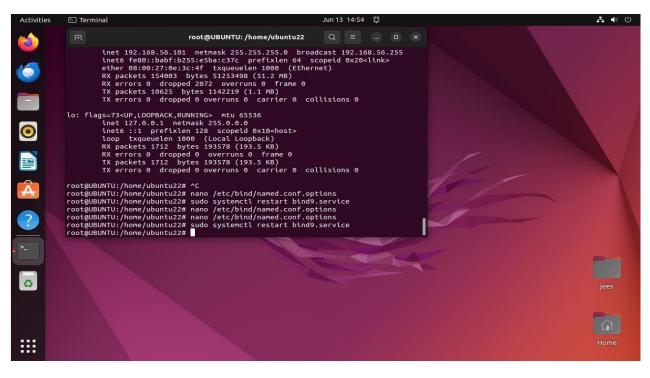


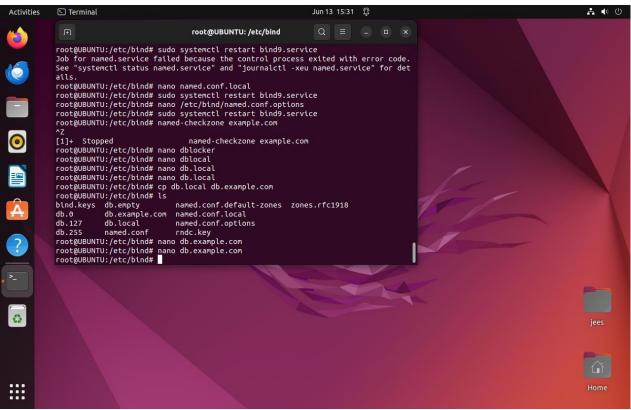


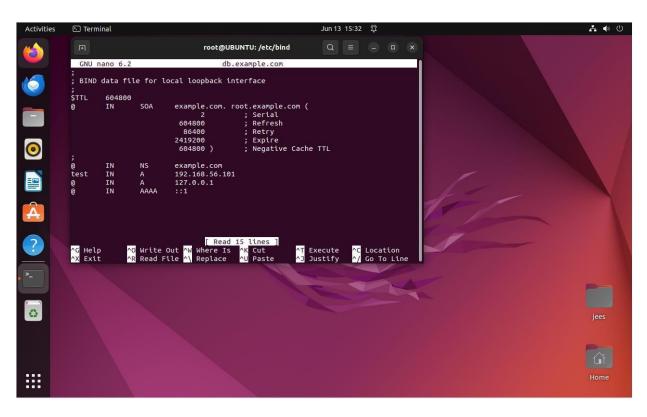


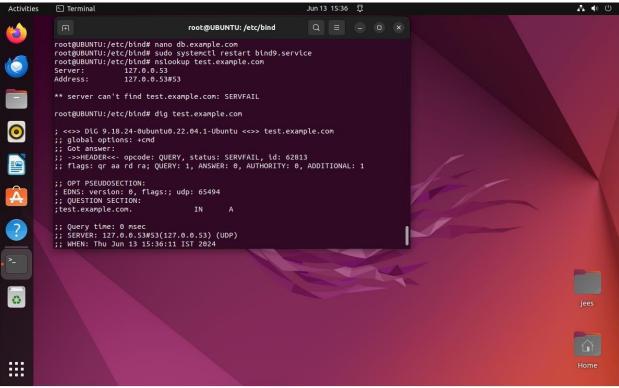


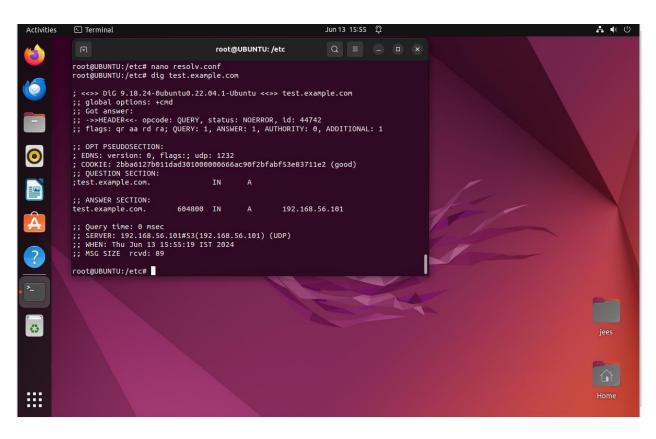


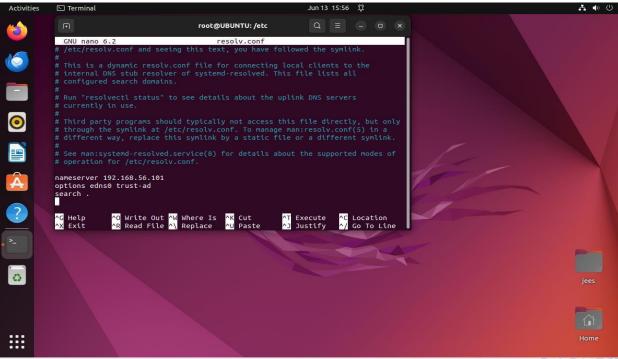














All the commands have been executed and the output has been obtained successfully.